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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

January 3, MARTHA DAVIS, American bark, 833, T. M. Benson, Boston via Honolulu 1st July, General.—RUSSELL & Co.

January 4, BELLEROPHON, British str., 1,396, T. W. Freeman, Liverpool 14th November, and Singapore 26th December, General.—BUTTERFIELD & S.

January 4, ARRATOON APCAR, British steamer, 1,392, A. B. Mactavish, Calcutta 18th Dec., Penang 24th, and Singapore 27th, Opium, &c.—DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

January 4, MINDANAO, Spanish steamer, 650, M. Tremoya, Manila 31st December, General.—REMEDIOS & Co.

January 4, YEHSIN, Chinese steamer, 757, C. R. Nulle Chefoo 29th December, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

January 4, INGRABAN, German steamer, 894, T. R. Mossmann, Singapore 26th December, General.—CHINESE.

January 4, TANTALLON, British steamer, 1,309, Carbrige, Singapore 15th December, and Manila 31st, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

January 4, YUNGCHING, Chinese steamer, 764, Lincoln, Wuhu 30th December, Rice.—C. M. S. N. Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, 4TH JANUARY.

Normanton, British str., for Nagasaki.
Desima, German str., for Saigon.
Kuongsang, British str., for Shanghai.
Hailoong, British str., for Swatow.
Zafiro, British str., for Amoy.
Alvina, German str., for Touron.
Hongchow, British str., for Shanghai.
Fohien, British str., for Amoy.
Signal, German str., for Hoihow.
Phra Chula Chom Klao, British str., for Swatow.
Bellerophon, British str., for Shanghai.
Gulf of Papua, British str., for Singapore.

DEPARTURES.

January 4, CRUSADER, British str., for Haiphong.
January 4, EMILY, British brig, for Takao.
January 4, CHEANG HOCK KIAN, British str., for Swatow.
January 4, FOHIEN, British str., for Amoy.
January 4, ZAFIRO, British str., for Amoy.
January 4, KWONGSANG, British str., for Shanghai.
January 4, TEHERAN, British str., for Yokohama.
January 4, VENETIA, British str., for Shanghai
January 4, YUNGCHING, Chinese steamer, for Whampoa.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Martha Davis*, from Boston via Honolulu.—Mr. A. J. Geeger, and 175 Chinese.

Per *Arratoon Apcar*, str., from Calcutta, &c.—Mr. and Mrs. Shooker and family, Messrs. D. Dadabhoy and Tean Ah Lean, and 220 Chinese, deck.

Per *Bellerophon*, str., from Liverpool, &c.—40 Chinese, from Singapore.

Per *Yehsin*, str., from Chefoo.—2 Chinese.

Per *Ingraban*, str., from Singapore.—327 Chinese.

Per *Mindanao*, str., from Manila.—Mr. Mcleod.

Per *Tantallon*, str., from Singapore.—Messrs. Williams and McNeill.

TO DEPART.

Per *Mirzapore*, str., from Hongkong.—For Singapore.—Capt. Walker, R.A., Messrs. Ebrahim and W. N. Dow. For Bombay.—Mr. and Mrs. A. P. MacEwen and child, Mrs. Mody, Master Mody, Mr. H. Cooverjee Setna. For London.—Capt. H. L. Pearson, R.N., and servant, and Miss Ellis. From Shanghai.—For Brindisi via Bombay.—M[illegible] and Mrs. Elliston and infant, Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] and infant, Messrs. W. C. Ward and C. J. Sh[illegible] from Yokohama.—For Venice.—Mr. E. F. G. Law. For Marseilles.—Mr. G. W. F. Playfair. For London.—Messrs. Christensen, and Steadman and 2 children.

REPORTS.

The German steamer *Ingraban* reports left Singapore on the 26th ult., and had strong N.E. monsoon.

The Spanish steamer *Mindanao* reports left Manila on the 31st ult., and had strong monsoon and high sea.

The Chinese steamer *Yungching* reports left Wuhu on the 30th ult., and had moderate monsoon and clear weather.

The British steamer *Bellerophon* reports left Liverpool on the 14th November, and Singapore on the 27th ult., and had strong monsoon with high sea.

The British steamer *Tantallon* reports left Singapore on the 15th ult., and Manila on the 31st. Had heavy N.E. gales and big sea from time of leaving until arrival.

The Chinese steamer *Yehsin* reports left Chefoo on the 20th ult., and had moderate N.W. to N.E. breeze and clear weather throughout. Passed the str. *Yungching* bound South.

The British steamer *Arratoon Apcar* reports left Calcutta on the 18th December, Penang on the 24th, and Singapore on the 27th. Experienced strong monsoon with high sea in the China Sea.

SHANGHAI SHIPPING.

December— ARRIVALS.

22, Yungching, Chinese str., from Hongkong.
22, Kwongsang, British str., from Hongkong.
22, Kiangteen, Chinese str., from Ningpo.
22, Swatow, British str., from Swatow.
22, Poochi, Chinese str., from Hankow.
22, Agamemnon, British str., from Liverpool.
22, Ingo, German steamer, from Nagasaki.
22, Lennox, British str., from Cardiff.
22, Ingeborg, British str., from Nagasaki.
22, Solidor, British bark, from Nagasaki.
23, Chungking, British str., from Ningpo.
23, Hae-an, Chinese str., from Chefoo.
23, Canton, British str., from Hongkong.
23, Welle, German str., from Nagasaki.
23, Chihaya Maru, Jap. bark, from K'notzu.
23, Nautilus, German g-vessel, from Kobe.
24, Pekin, British str., from Hankow.
24, Kiangteen, Chinese str., from Ningpo.
24, Sin Nunzing, British str., from Foochow.
24, Lee-sang, British str., from London.
24, Ashington, British str., from Hongkong.
24, Wuchang, British str., from Chefoo.
24, Satsuma Maru, Jap. str., from Japan.

December— DEPARTURES.

22, Yokohama Maru, Jap. str., for Nagasaki.
22, Nierstein, German steamer, for Foochow.
22, Hideyoshi Maru, Jap. str., for K'tzu.
22, Kiangfoo, Chinese str., for Hankow.
22, Kiangtsan, Chinese str., for Ningpo.
22, Meefoo, Chinese transport, for Foochow.
22, Lee Yuen, Chinese trans., for P. Arthur.
22, Mary L. Stone, American ship, for Cebu.
23, Velox, German str., for Nagasaki.
23, Wismar, German str., for Foochow.
23, Ngankin, British str., for Hankow.
23, Nanzing, British str., for Nagasaki.
23, Fungshun, Chinese str., for Hongkong.
23, Hae-shin, Chinese str., for Foochow.
23, Swatow, British str., for Chinkiang.
23, Chungking, British str., for Ningpo.
24, Iracuaddy, French str., for Hongkong.
24, Amoy, British str., for Foochow.
24, Fuh Wo, British str., for Hankow.
24, Ingo, German str., for Nagasaki.
24, Pantub, Chinese str., for Chefoo.
24, Parthian, British str., for Yokohama.
24, Tamsui, British str., for Amoy.

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Hongkong, 7th December, 1885. [2174

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Hongkong, 25th December, 1885. [54

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 8th May, 1885. [6

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H. A. HERBERT,
Manager, Hongkong Branch.
Hongkong, 6th July, 1885. [7

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.
NOTICE.
THE NEXT ANNUAL EXHIBITION will be held during the week preceding the Races in February next.
All EXHIBITS, of PLANTS CLASSED as ANNUALS, MUST BE IN POTS not exceeding 14 inches inner diameter.
W. M. B. ARTHUR,
Hon. Sec.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1885. [51

NOTICE.
FOR the Convenience of Customers, the PRODUCTIONS of the "CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED" can henceforward be obtained by RETAIL FOR CASH, at No. 3, Peel Street, at the same Prices as at the REFINERY; or Retail Orders will be delivered at addresses in town on applicants forwarding their monthly requirements in writing direct to the Refinery at East Point.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 28th July, 1885. [34

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ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, January, 1867. [21

AUCTION.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
MR. J. M. ARMSTRONG has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on
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the 16th day of January, 1886, at 3 o'CLOCK P.M., at the Premises,
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DANIEL E. CALDWELL,
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50, Queen's Road,
or to
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1886. [91

INTIMATIONS.

THE PUNJOM AND SUNGHIE DUA SAMANTAN MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE Undersigned has been appointed SECRETARY to the above Company.
By Order of the Board,
A. O'D. GOURDIN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 31st December, 1885. [73

THE PUNJOM AND SUNGHIE DUA SAMANTAN MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given that a GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of January, 1886, at the Office of the Company, No. 4, CLUB CHAMBERS, d'Aguilar Street, Victoria, Hongkong, at NOON, in conformity with the provisions made under Ordinance No. 1 of 1877 Section 38.
Dated the 31st day of December, 1885.
A. O'D. GOURDIN,
74] Secretary.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE TRANSFER BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd instant until the 8th Proximo, both days inclusive.
HENRY R. H. MARTIN,
Manager.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1885. [2245

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.
DEBENTURE LOAN FOR $300,000.
COUPONS for INTEREST falling due on 31st December, 1885, will be paid on presentation at the Office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, Hongkong, on and after that date.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 31st December, 1885. [69

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MESS COMMITTEE,
H.M.S. *Agamemnon*.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1886. [88

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NOTICE.
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SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, none of the Company's Foremen should be at hand, orders for repairs if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.
In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.
D. GILLIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 26th August, 1885. [35

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RENTS COLLECTED.
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UNDERTAKERS,
MOURNING STATIONERY, &c.,
MONUMENTS ERECTED.
6, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST. [27

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.
THE Steamship
"IPHIGENIA,"
Captain F. Ahrens, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.
Optional cargo will be forwarded, unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 A.M. TO-DAY, the 2nd instant.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the 5th inst., will be subject to rent.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left our Godowns.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1886. [76

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "DIOMED," are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 30th inst.
Goods undelivered after the 5th Jan., will be subject to Rent.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 29th December, 1885. [2275

STEAMSHIP "YANGTSE."
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NOTICE.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London, Antwerp, Havre, and Bordeaux, Ex S. S. "MEDOC," "THANE," and "CAMBRAI," in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 10 A.M. TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), requesting it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.
Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 4th January, 1886, at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges at one cent per package per diem.
All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 6th January, 1886, (WEDNESDAY), or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 28th December, 1885.

FROM LONDON, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.
THE Steamship
"GLENARTNEY,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her and by the S. S. "LUDGATE HILL," from New York, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON TO-DAY, the 28th instant.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the 4th January, 1886, will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, 28th December, 1885. [2306

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COLLEGE CHAMBERS (late HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS) Single Rooms or Suites of Apartments.
No. 12, SEYMOUR TERRACE.
"BISNEE VILLA," POKFOOLUM.
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1885. [38

TO BE LET.
NO. 31, ELGIN TERRACE—Corner of Elgin Street and Caine Road. Possession 1st February next.
No. 1, ALBANY—SIX ROOMS, OUT OFFICES, and GARDEN. Gas and Water laid on. Possession 1st February next.
OFFICES and ROOMS in Queen's Road Central.
GODOWN on Water Side of FLETCHERS BUILDINGS.
LINSTEAD & DAVIS.
Hongkong, 25th December, 1885. [42

TO LET.
ROOMS in CLUB CHAMBERS.
Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [39

TO LET.
OFFICES AND CHAMBERS, No. 7, QUEEN'S ROAD, lately occupied by Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Apply to
BIRD & PALMER,
Who will exhibit Plans and arrange Offices to suit applicants.
Hongkong, 9th April, 1885. [40

TO BE LET OR SOLD.
IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.
THE DETACHED RESIDENCE known as "CRAIGENGOWER," Caine Road. Terms Moderate.
Apply to
HO KAI,
16, Bank Buildings,
Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 30th October, 1885. [41

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS.
Goods received on STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in First-class Godowns.
Also
Entire GODOWNS to be LET
Apply to
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1881. [1031

FURNITURE WAREHOUSE.
EVERY description of FURNITURE on SALE and for HIRE at Moderate Prices.
Large quantities of JAPANESE and CHINESE CURIOS for Sale.
E. CASSUMBHOY,
231] Opposite City Hall.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.'s PIERS AND GODOWNS, WEST POINT.
THESE are now in working order. Steamers are berthed at the Wharf, and Cargo received and stored at Cheap Rates.
The Godowns are Two Storied, Dry, Airy, and well suited for the Storage of Silk, Cotton, and Woollen Piece Goods as well as General Merchandise.
ADVANCES MADE ON CARGO STORED.
For Rates and Further Particulars, apply to the
MANAGER,
or to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1885. [87. 90]

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.
WE Have THIS DAY admitted Mr. SHELLIM EZEKIEL SHELLIM a PARTNER in our Firms in Hongkong and China.
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1886. [66

NOTICE.
MR. HERMANN FRIEDRICH GEORG BORNER has THIS DAY been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm and Mr. CARL LUDWIG RUMELIN has been authorized to SIGN our Firm per procuration from this date.
SCHRIEVER & Co.
Haiphong, Hanoi, } 1st January, 1886. [83

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned intends to leave the Colony in February next; Mr. K. A. CHINOY is authorized to SIGN my name and will continue my Business as heretofore.
A. H. CHINOY.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1886. [84

NOTICE.
THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. FRANCISCO MAMEDE GONSALVES in the Firm of Messrs. ROZARIO & Co., ceased on the 31st December last.
The Business will in future be carried on by the Undersigned alone, under the SAME STYLE as heretofore.
AUGUSTO JOSE DO ROZARIO.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1886. [85

NOTICE.
MR. DAVID ALEXANDER TROTTER is admitted a PARTNER in our Firm in Amoy and Formosa from this date.
TAIT & Co.
Amoy, 1st January, 1886. [63

NOTICE.
MR. L. JUEDELL has been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm in Hoihow and Pakhoi from this date.
A. SCHOMBURG & Co.
Hoihow, 1st January, 1886. [64

NOTICE.
MR. CECIL WILLIAM HOLLIDAY is admitted a PARTNER in our Firm from this date.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1886. [65

NOTICE.
WE Have THIS DAY OPENED a BRANCH of our Firm at Canton.
MR. BERNHARD BUSCHMANN has been authorised to SIGN our Firm from this date here, at Canton, and Shanghai.
EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1886. [67

NOTICE is hereby given that the PARTNERSHIP hitherto existing between MR. FRANCISCO MAMEDE GONSALVES and MR. AUGUSTO JOSE DO ROZARIO, as ROZARIO & Co., Merchants of Hongkong, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.
WITH reference to the above I have this day Established myself at this place as MERCHANT, SHIPPING and COMMISSION AGENT under the Style or Firm of GONSALVES & Co.
F. M. GONSALVES.
14, Aberdeen Street.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1886. [72

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHIA,
SOLE AGENTS FOR
THE IMPERIAL MIIKE COAL MINE.
WE Have THIS DAY RE-ESTABLISHED our Branch at this Port, and are now prepared to receive Orders for MIIKE COAL, TAKOO and KARATZU COALS, and other Japanese Products.
For the MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHIA,
Y. WOOYEDA,
Manager.
18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 1st January, 1886. [68

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 3rd day of June last, YEUNG YUK CHI and his Son YEUNG HEE KUM (the latter having been the Manager) retired from the Business of the HOO TAI LOONG SHOP, No. 50, Praya Central, and Sold all their own Shares of the Business to YEUNG MING LAI TONG who had been until then Partners or Shareholders. Settlement of Accounts has been made. The said YEUNG MING LAI TONG will not hold themselves Responsible for any Debts, Old or New, contracted by the said YEUNG YUK CHI or his Son YEUNG HEE KUM.
Creditors and Debtors are also hereby requested to send their contracts to be signed by YEUNG TSO MAN, YEUNG MAN FUNG, and YEUNG KING SHAN, or certified by the putting on the same documents of the Chop of HOO TAI LOONG MING KEE.
Hongkong, 12th August, 1885. [1470

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.
GRAND OPENING NIGHT OF THE ZARZUELA SPANISH OPERA COMPANY.
THURSDAY,
the 7th January, 1886.
Seats can be booked at Messrs. KELLY AND WALSH, LIMITED.
PRICE OF ADMISSION:—

Dress Circle	$2.00
Stalls, Front Seats	$2.00
Stalls, Back Seats	$1.00

For further Particulars see Programme.
Hongkong, 5th January, 1886. [86

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.
IN BANKRUPTCY.
NOTICE.—JOSE MARIA DE JESUS, of Cosmopolitan Dock, Hongkong, Clerk in the Employment of Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Limited, having been adjudged Bankrupt under a Petition for Adjudication, filed in the Supreme Court of Hongkong, in Bankruptcy, on the 15th day of December, 1885, is hereby required to surrender himself to EDWARD JAMES ACKROYD, Esquire, the Registrar of the said Court, at the first Meeting of Creditors to be held by the said Registrar on THURSDAY, the 14th day of January, 1886.
The said EDWARD JAMES ACKROYD, Esquire, is the Official Assignee, and Messrs. DENNYS and MOSSOP are the Solicitors in the Bankruptcy.
A public Sitting will hereafter be appointed by the said Court for the said Bankrupt to pass his final Examination and to make application for his discharge of which sitting notice will be given in the *Hongkong Government Gazette*.
At the first Meeting of Creditors, the Registrar will receive the Proofs of the Debts of the Creditors, and the Creditors who shall have proved their Debts respectively, or the majority in value of the said Creditors, are hereby directed to choose at such Meeting an Assignee or Assignees of the Bankrupt's Estate and Effects to be called the Creditors' Assignee or Assignees.
Dated the 28th day of December, 1885.
DENNYS & MOSSOP,
Solicitors,
43, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.
WE Have authorised, Mr. FRANK ERNEST NICHOL to SIGN our Firm per procuration.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1886. [96

TO LET.
A 5 ROOMED BUNGALOW—Robinson Road.
Apply to
BIRD & PALMER.
Hongkong, 5th January, 1886. [97

FOR SHANGHAI.
THE Steamship
"AMOY,"
Captain R. Kühler, will be despatched for the above Port TO-DAY, the 5th instant, at FOUR P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1886. [92

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR SHANGHAI DIRECT.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE).
THE Company's Steamship
"BELLEROPHON,"
Captain Freeman, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 6th inst., at DAYLIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1886. [2305

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.
THE Company's Steamship
"TAISANG,"
Captain Davies, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 12th instant, at NOON.
This steamer has superior first class Accommodation specially constructed to meet the requirements of tropical climates.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1

INTIMATION.

JUST RECEIVED.

HYACYNTH BULBS

OF THE BEST VARIETIES

BLUE,

WHITE,

RED,

YELLOW.

LAWN GRASS SEED.

SWEET CORN.

A. S. WATSON & Co.,

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1886. [22

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Communications on Editorial matters should be addressed "The Editor," and those on business "The Manager," and not to individuals by name.

Correspondents are requested to forward their name and address with communications addressed to the Editor, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

All letters for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until countermanded.

Orders for extra copies of the *Daily Press* should be sent before 11 a.m. on the day of publication. After that hour the supply is limited.

BIRTH.

December 31st, 1885, at Brookhurst, Robinson Road, the wife of H. L. DENNYS, of a son. [75

MARRIAGE.

On the 15th December, 1885, at the British Consulate, Kobe, and afterwards at the Union Protestant Church, by the Rev. Hugh J. Foss, S.P.C., JAMES DAVID HUTCHISON, of Kobe, to EMMA MARY, only daughter of John Marshall, Japanese Government Harbour Master, Kobe.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 5TH, 1886.

THAT the speculation relative to the introduction of railways into China is still active in Europe, as well as in the United States, is evidenced by the Reuter's telegram which arrived yesterday. According to that authority, the representatives of a powerful German Syndicate are about to start for China with an offer to the Chinese Government to contract a loan of £35,000,000 sterling for the construction of Railways and the supply of Armaments. In the absence of fuller particulars and more definite information, it is perhaps rather premature to express an opinion on the wisdom or otherwise of the mission of the German financiers. They are certainly prepared—*if* the telegram be correct—to offer the Chinese Government a very large amount of money, and they must feel rather hopeful of success, or they would scarcely undertake the journey. It must be remembered, however, that the Peking Government know where to get plenty of money at 6 per cent. The readiness with which their last loans, negotiated in London, were taken up proved very conclusively that further loans at that rate could be floated. We do not know that a loan for £35,000,000 could be negotiated all at once in London; it would depend on the nature of the securities offered; but it seems improbable that the Chinese Government will require so large a sum in one lump. It is not the habit of Peking statesmen to plunge heavily into the money market as borrowers,—they are quite new to the borrowing business—and we take leave to doubt whether they will care to do more than raise the money as they require it in comparatively small amounts. Moreover, the Chinese Government have not yet decided when or where to construct railways, and may defer their introduction for some time yet. The need for them has been demonstrated clearly enough by recent events, and has been admitted by the highest officials in the empire, but the Board of Revenue at present block the way, and it is very problematical whether that body will be won over even by the enticing proposal of the German Syndicate. Indeed it is more likely that the offer of the thirty-five millions will tend to strengthen the opposition of the Board by arousing their suspicions of the motives of the lenders. It is a pity to attempt to force the hand of the Chinese Government in this matter, and it is to be regretted that adventurous financiers in Europe and America should show such frantic eagerness to offer money or press material upon the distrustful Mandarins at Peking. We have a strong suspicion that the Viceroy of Chihli will know where to obtain the means when he can win the assent of the Government to the introduction of the iron road. But China is not in a hurry, and, what is more, she will not be pushed in this matter. There is considerable danger, we fancy, of enterprising gentlemen from Europe or elsewhere coming out to China on such errands having to return sadder and wiser from experience. Of course it is possible that if the German Syndicate are able to offer the money at less than 6 per cent., they may tempt the Peking Government to borrow, but this is doubtful, for if the money can be got at 5 per cent in Berlin, it can probably be obtained at that rate in London, and indeed the preliminaries for a loan may be arranged before the German emissaries arrive.

At a meeting of the shareholders in the Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Limited, held at Singapore on the 23rd ult., resolutions were passed providing for the increase of the capital of the company to $1,500,000 by the creation of 5,000 new shares of $100 each. It is only intended to issue 2,000 at present, and the directors have not yet decided at what premium to fix them.

In publishing on the 1st instant the correspondence between the Canton and Macao Shippers and the Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co. and the Agents of the China Navigation Co., we accidentally omitted to give the signatures to the last letter, with the exception of that of Messrs. E. W. Mitchell & Co. This was due to a misinterpretation of instructions by compositor and reader. The correspondence, with the necessary correction, will be found reproduced in our supplement to-day.

At about eleven o'clock on Saturday night a young Chinaman was found lying on the Cricket Ground in an unconscious condition, and beside him was found a bottle in which remained a little fluid which is believed to be a mixture of samshu and opium. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital and placed under treatment, but died there yesterday. A *post mortem* examination has been made of the body, and an inquest will probably be opened to-day. On his person were found some pawn tickets showing that he had pawned some jewellery at Kowloon City for $12, and it is supposed that he lost that money in gambling there, and committed suicide in consequence.

We are requested to state that Mrs. Marsh will be at home to receive visitors at Government House on Thursdays from four to six o'clock p.m.

The Agents (Messrs. Russell & Co.) inform us that the E. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Menmair*, from Sydney and Australian ports, left Port Darwin yesterday for Hongkong.

The *Catholic Register*, referring to the grand Mass celebrated at the Roman Catholic Cathedral on Christmas Eve, expresses the hope that next year the new Cathedral will be ready for use.

As will be seen by referring to the notice elsewhere, the Zarzuela Spanish Opera Company will give their opening performance on Thursday evening next, in the Theatre Royal, City Hall.

Return of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ending 2nd January, 1886:—

	EUROPEAN.	CHINESE.
Monday	72	614
Tuesday	54	472
Wednesday	180	538
Thursday	683	1,573
Friday	Holiday	Holiday
Saturday	910	3,630
Sunday	none	none
	1,898	7,116

Our Parsee friends will to-day lose one of the most popular and respected members of their community. We allude to Mrs. Mody, who leaves by the English mail for Bombay with her son. Mrs. Mody recently visited Japan with her husband and family, but her health did not derive all the benefit that was expected, and she has consequently been ordered to Bombay. She will be greatly missed by numerous friends both in her own and the European community, and also by the poor, to whom her charities were most liberal.

Says the *Catholic Register*:—We hear that at Tokyo in Japan, a very imposing ceremony took place at the Roman Catholic Cathedral. A Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated at the request of the Minister for Spain for the repose of the soul of the late King Alfonso. For the first time the Japanese Ministers, and a representative of the Mikado, were seen in our Church in company with all the Ministers Plenipotentiary of the European and American nations. It was a new era in the history of the Church.

The Samarang *Locomotief* draws attention to a movement set on foot to arouse sugar growers in that province and those further inland to co-operate in extending an experimental plantation lately started at that city into an experimental station, where physiological and chemical researches may also be carried on. Setting up something of the kind is estimated to cost 20,000 guilders, the yearly outlay on it being almost as much. The mercantile community of Sourabaya has contributed about 8,000 guilders. The proposed station will be conducted on such a footing that arrangements will be made for training up agricultural chemists and for enabling analyses to be carried on.

On Sunday night a woman named Lin Akui committed suicide by taking opium. The deceased was the wife of a cook at Wanchai, employed at the Barracks, and seems to have had a quarrel with her husband about her neglecting to cook his meal for him when he returned from work. After some angry words between them she retired to the bedroom, and her husband remained below and cooked his food. Having had his meal he went upstairs and found his wife lying unconscious on the bed and beside her a small pot containing the remains of some prepared opium. He applied Chinese medicines to her, and finding his efforts without avail he went to No. 2 Station and reported the matter to Inspector Mackie. That officer proceeded to the house and found the woman already dead. Her body was removed to the Mortuary, where the Acting Coroner, Mr. N. G. Mitchell-Innes, opened an inquest yesterday afternoon. The inquiry was adjourned for a *post mortem* examination.

Letters from those missionaries in Annam who have escaped the fate which has befallen so many of their flocks agree in charging the representatives of France with a negligence which, in the circumstances, assumes the very gravest aspect. Père Dourisbourne, for instance, writing from the Seminary at Saigon, where he has taken refuge, declares that the presence of French vessels at some of the ports, and the firing of a few shots without hurting any one, would have been the means of saving the lives of some 30,000 Christians and securing their homes and possessions against injury. Formerly, he says, the mandarins contented themselves with putting missionaries and the leading converts to death; but this time persecution and hatred of France rather than of Christianity has been the cause of what can only be called a war of extermination, and France has done nothing for those who have suffered for their supposed loyalty to her.—*Tablet.*

A London correspondent of an Indian paper writes, regarding the question of the annexation of Upper Burmah:—It is unfortunate that in this crisis the English Government is not properly represented at Peking and that we have not a Sir Harry Parkes to impress upon the Tsung-li Yamen the advisability of recognising and acting up to the natural alliance that should subsist between England and China. I believe, however, that a substantial agreement will become to, by which England will occupy Mandalay and the greater part of Independent Burmah, but that China will obtain, Bhamo and the upper course of the Irrawaddy as a frontier line. By this means the sentiment of China will be gratified, and the last obstruction to direct trade between Rangoon and Yunnan will be removed. The conclusion of a convention to this effect may be anticipated in the event of Lord Salisbury remaining in office, and perhaps in any case; and next spring will see an Anglo-Chinese Commission laying down a new frontier line between two great Empires in Asia. How far France will intervene remains to be seen; but the security of Siam and the Shan States will be greatly increased by an accord between England and China. Where many things are uncertain one fact at least is tolerably sure, and that is that there will be a great development of commerce on our eastern frontier.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, 2nd January.

RAILWAYS IN CHINA.

The representatives of a powerful German Syndicate are about to start for China with an offer to the Chinese Government to contract a loan of £35,000,000 sterling for the construction of Railways and the supply of Armaments.

MURDER IN THE COLONY.

The dead body of a boatwoman was discovered by the police at Hung Ham yesterday, under circumstances which leave little or no room to doubt that she had been recently murdered. A small sampan, numbered 2198, was found ashore in Hung Ham Bay early in the morning, and over the centre compartment a mat was thrown. On lifting the mat the dead body of the woman, not yet quite cold, was found. She was doubled with her head almost down to her knees, and her hands and feet were bound. Inquiries instituted about Hung Ham elicited no information; everyone there said that neither the boat nor the woman were known to them. Inquiries at the Harbour Office were equally fruitless, as there was no such number on the register of boats there. It was not until yesterday evening that it was discovered who the woman was, and as there were no oars or any other means of propulsion in the boat, it was surmised that it had drifted there from somewhere on the Hongkong side. It has now been discovered that the woman's name was Leong Ayat, who lived at Shaukiwan, where she was last seen alive on Sunday evening at about 8.30. It is supposed that some men must have engaged her sampan, and when they got well outside they murdered her, took the boat to the Kowloon side, and left it. Possibly their motive may have been plunder, as no valuables were found in the boat, but the woman still had some good clothing on her when found. She had evidently made a desperate struggle for life, as she was covered with bruises about the arms, breast, neck, and face, and her left side was quite blue all the way down. A handkerchief was drawn tightly across her face and tied at the back of her head. The deceased was a woman apparently somewhat under 40 years of age, and rather strongly built. At present there is no clue to the perpetrators of the crime, but the police are actively prosecuting inquiries.

SUPREME COURT.

4th January.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

BEFORE MR. JUSTICE RUSSELL.

IN RE MARIA DURAND.

Mr. Ewens appeared on behalf of Miss Durand to apply that she should be adjudicated a bankrupt. Some attempts at effecting an arrangement had previously been made, but not having then been successful, his Lordship made the order applied for.

POLICE COURT.

4th January.

BEFORE MR. A. G. WISE.

DRUNKEN MISCONDUCT.

Henry Olsen, seaman of the U. S. S. *Omaha*, was charged with drunkenness, disorderly conduct, wilful damage to the extent of $2, and assault upon two Chinamen.

The defendant, under the influence of liquor, set off in quest of adventures. He went into the shop of one Li Ahoi and smashed a large fancy flower pot, and then went along the street upsetting all the hawkers' stalls until P. S. Butlin arrested him. Butlin got the man nearly to the Station when he broke away, and ran for it, but was caught, and as he found he could not hold the man, Butlin struck him with his stick and knocked him down.

The defendant said the events of that evening were wrapped in oblivion to him.

Fined $5 on the first charge, and to pay $2 amends to one complainant, and $1 to another.

Mous, a seaman of the French frigate *Turenne*, was charged with drunkenness and assaulting the police in the execution of duty.

He was sent on board.

William Slight, seaman, and William Hamilton, marine of H. M.'s Navy, were convicted of drunkenness, disorderly conduct and assaulting the police on the 3rd inst.

The men were the worse for drink, and after some trouble were "run in" for misconduct in Queen's-road. While at the Central Station Hamilton struck P. C. Whitchell on the mouth with his fist.

Slight was fined $1, and Hamilton $5, which they paid.

Edward Duffy, another seaman, was fined half a dollar for having been drunk and disorderly in Queen's-road on Sunday evening.

Charles Haynes, a private of the Northamptonshire Regiment, was also charged with drunkenness, disorderly conduct, and wilful damage.

The defendant having imbibed more liquor than he could quietly carry, went into the shop of one Chun Ayu, and began to smash things.

He was fined $2 and $1 compensation for damage.

Kwok Asing, hawker, was fined half a dollar for drunkenness in the street.

TSZE FA CASE.

Chun Atang, of 137, Hollywood-road, was summoned by Inspector Quincey on a charge of keeping a tsze fa lottery agency. He was convicted and fined $25.

ABUSE.

Almira Fernandez was summoned by a widow named Tam Akun on a charge of using abusive language calculated to provoke a breach of the peace, on the 29th ult.

The parties live on different floors of the same house and got into a squabble about water going from the upper to the lower floor.

The defendant was bound over in her own recognizances of $25 to keep the peace for six months.

RETURNING FROM BANISHMENT.

Wong Ayan, coolie, pleaded guilty to having returned to this colony on the 3rd inst. after having been deported from it on the 23rd ult.

He was sentenced to twelve months' hard labour.

BEFORE MR. N. G. MITCHELL-INNES.

LARCENY.

Lo Awo, coolie, was charged with stealing money and clothing to the value of $7 on the 31st ult.

Some clothes and money were missed by coolies employed at the Tai Tam Water-works, and the defendant, who was also employed there, was found in possession of some of the stolen property.

In default of paying $5 to one complainant, and $3.50 to the other, the defendant was sent to gaol for a month's hard labour.

MORE TSZE FA.

Leung Ahung, hawker, was charged by Mr. Orley, Inspector of Markets, with keeping an agency for the sale of tsze fa lottery tickets.

Inspector Orley arrested the defendant carrying on his unlawful trade in the Western Market.

The defendant was fined $50, and in default of payment was sent to gaol for six weeks. $6.70 found at his stall being put into the Poor Box.

A CHINAMAN ON THE SPREE.

Tsoi Aling, cook, was charged with drunkenness, disorderly conduct, and wilful damage.

The defendant gave evidence of the spread of western civilisation among the children of heaven by getting as drunk as Jack ashore, and in a facetious humour knocking over a hawker's stall.

Fined 50 cents, and 50 cents compensation.

PAWNBROKING OFFENCE.

Li On, master of the Fau On pawnshop, Wellington-street, was charged with taking in pawn two umbrellas without entering in a book kept by him for that purpose in accordance with the requirements of law a clear and proper entry of them.

Some silk umbrellas were missed from the premises of Messrs. Linstead and Davis, whose servant gave information to the police and went with Inspector Perry round the pawnshops to look for them. They discovered the umbrellas in the Fau On pawnshop, and found an adequate description of them in the usual book.

The defendant, who said it was an omission, was fined $50.

PETTY THEFTS.

Hung Afuk and Kwok Asing, employés of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, were each convicted of stealing copper nails at the Hung Ham Dock, and they were sentenced to ten days' hard labour.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our Correspondents.]

THE TAMCHOW MINES.—A REPLY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

SIR,—Having been the first to notice the existence of metalliferous lodes at Tamchow I consider it excusable if I show a certain amount of interest in an undertaking which but for the fact of my having taken others to the locality would possibly never have had an existence. Long before these mines were thought of I spent some days at Tamchow in one of the first steam launches seen in Hongkong. This was in company with a gentleman whom I had induced to take an interest in these matters. Some time subsequently another friend accompanied me in a trip to this locality, and through this last named the matter came to the knowledge of a Mr. Chin, and I believe passed from that gentleman to the promoters of the mine, as just at that time the foreign friend who had accompanied me and only manifested a desire to read up the subject of metallurgy and purchased from me some old school books, a Percy's metallurgy, Phillips' metallurgy, an old edition of Ure's dictionary, and some others, which now I believe grace the shelves of the Tamchow Mining Company's library at Canton.

Mr. Phillips has evidently been misled as to my animus in writing on the subject of geology. I resent the imputation thrown out, and can assure your readers that should this Chinese enterprize really turn out to be a profitable undertaking no one will be more glad to hear of its success than I shall be.

To those who (not alluding to Mr. Phillips personally) can see none but unworthy motives in the acts of others, it would be hopeless to explain how, far beyond their own restricted powers of vision, lie incentives to earnest labour incompatible with narrow ideas of life, or how the mighty fabric of human knowledge has been built up by unselfish workers in the cause of science and truth, each adding his mite to the accumulated stores of his predecessors; each patiently observing, reflecting, recording; all working together for the common good, each seeking to benefit his race, each in his own way striving after perfection.

With reference to this mine to which I alluded but incidentally, qualifying my remarks by saying "I believe, &c.", I have to thank Mr. Phillips for the information conveyed in his letter, which, reading between the lines, very much confirms me in the opinions previously expressed, for since mining operations have been going on I have not visited the locality. When mining was commenced I saw one of the, in China so seldom occurring, opportunities of obtaining unweathered rock specimens, and accordingly applied to the Tamchow Mining Company for small pieces of the country rock through which the dykes or lodes passed. The stuff asked for having no intrinsic value would have cost the givers nothing; neither would it, although invaluable from a scientific point of view, have given any information as to the prospects of the mine; yet, incredible as the statement may appear, this very small favour was refused. This is the only application of any kind I have ever made to the Tamchow Mining Company. In his letter Mr. Phillips would appear, doubtless unintentionally, to lead the uninitiated to suppose that the metalliferous portion of the lode was from 4 to 8 feet thick, whereas this thickness (I speak from personal observation) refers merely to an intrusive dyke of some form of porphyritic rock containing near the surface strings and threads of ore, as I previously represented, with perhaps at a considerable depth none whatever; and I now perceive by Mr. Phillips's letter that the most perplexing course has been taken of sinking a shaft over 50 fathoms on some other portion of the property and driving levels we cannot tell how far through which the lode stuff will all at great expense have to be taken; and all this has been done in order to cut a lode and get at mineral which may be dug out close to the surface. This is something unique in the history of mining, and it is hard to believe that a practical miner, such as I believe Mr. Phillips to be, could have carried out so very singular a system. Or is it perhaps possible that Mr. Phillips found this novelty in mining engineering awaiting him ready made fresh from the hands of its inventor and originator? or did its Chinese owners dictate the manner in which their, let us hope, very valuable mine should be opened, and, true to the so often exemplified theory of contrasts, order the concern to be worked *upside down*? It may be so.

Mr. Phillips tells us that the "prospects are good." So far as I can see the only certainty is that a "deep shaft has been sunk," "tunnels commenced," "machinery purchased," and money expended, the result of which is more likely to be the construction of a fanciful scientific mine than the earning of interest on capital.

However, we all live in hope—*Spes ine rta futuri*,—and so the riches of this mine appear at present to lie in the regions of hope. When the lode 4 to 8 feet thick, which it is hoped may at a depth of 52 fathoms perhaps contain metal, is cut into, then perhaps we may have the pleasure of hearing from Mr. Phillips again. Awaiting that eventful day, I am, yours, etc.,

THOS. IDE BOWLER.
(T. I. B.)

Hongkong, 4th January, 1886.

MACAO.

[FROM A CORRESPONDENT.]

4th January.

The Acting Procurador, Senhor Ferreira, the Acting Administrador, Senhor Pacheco, and the Acting Agente do Ministerio, Senhor Jorge called at the Gaol on the 30th ult., after the paragraph which appeared in your issue of the 29th ult., and made inquiries of the prisoners as to their treatment and food. But the best thing for the Acting Procurador to do is to put the poor remanded prisoners on their trials and not to keep them so long on remand for petty charges. If innocent set them at liberty, and not detain them for so many months waiting trial.

Our new Surveyor-General, Senhor Horta e Costa, is very enthusiastic in his work. He is to be seen in the roads as early as 6 and 7 a.m. superintending the new works. The best work for the benefit of the public is the clearing up of some 200 dirty houses situated in the "Horta da Mitra" facing the Rua de Campo, just on the principal roadway, which every one has to pass on their evening walks, and this is the very place about which the Macao papers have said so much against the condition of the houses and the occupants. Several deaths from cholera occurred daily in this block during September and October last, and it is a boon to the public and the proprietor to pull this block of old shanties down and to make nice roads, drains, and houses. All these improvements are due to our new Surveyor-General, and we hope to see the place properly laid out shortly.

Mr. F. P. Noronha, the proprietor of the Horta da Mitra, came to an arrangement with the Government to allow him a certain sum to repair the houses in the above locality in lieu of his old claims against the Government for the ground used by the Government for the Hospital San Januario some years ago without his consent.

Our worthy Acting Governor Senhor Cardoso, is going to leave us shortly on his well earned holidays; it is a pity that Senhor Pinheiro Chagas did not appoint Senhor Cardoso to be the successor of Senhor Roza. Had he done so Macao would have derived many benefits. Unfortunately our little colony requires much assistance, notably in the way of dredging the harbour, and by the appointment of a new Governor and the absence of Senhor Cardoso (Colonial Secretary and Acting Governor) this little place is likely to become a wreck, and the landlords will be utterly ruined, with their houses without tenants, and commerce departed.

Timor is after all going to have a good Chief Justice in the person of Senhor Francisco M. Sales, who has been in this place for about 12 years in the Judicial department, and he is to leave for his new post some time next month. The transport *Timor* is expected here shortly with the new Commandant of the garrison, officers, and men for this place. Sr. Silvano, the present Commandant of the Military force, will leave here on the arrival of the *Timor*.

Our Governor, Senhor Roza, and his staff are expected at your port during the current week on their way to Japan.

KOREA.

CHEMULPO, 20th December.

On the 2nd inst. a British man-of-war arrived and at once shaped a line for the inner harbour, it being high water. It was our old friend of last winter, the *Albatross*, which visited us twice during last year's troubles, and on each occasion moored within pistol shot of Chemulpo Bluff, ready for any emergency that might arise. She left again on the 6th inst., in company with the Japanese corvette *Seiki Kan*, the latter being bound for Shanghai and the *Albatross* for Chefoo. Thanks to the courtesy of Commander Hicks, R.N., and Mr. Consul Parker, the residents were afforded an opportunity of forwarding their mails to China and Europe, a marked contrast to the action of the Japanese authorities who allowed the *Seiki Kan* to slip away for Shanghai without letting anybody know.

The same day our Japanese fellow-residents celebrated—well, what do you think? Nothing less than the massacre of last year! An suitable occasion to celebrate, truly. The Japanese burial grounds and the settlements for the live "Japs" were gaily decorated with flags and illuminated at night, and during the daytime many of our amiable Japanese fellow residents were gaily well illuminated themselves. *Temperance Union*, please don't copy.

On the 8th inst. a state dinner was given at the "Central Mastodon Hotel" (owned by Mr. Larry, an enterprising native of Canton), to the late Chinese Consul of this port, Mr. Li, who is to leave for China by first opportunity. Most of the principal Chinese residents and several foreigners were present. It was the anniversary of the day upon which ex-Minister Takezoye, with his legions, arrived from Söul, after the memorable events of the 4th, 5th and 6th December, the Japanese Palace Revolution in the Korean Capital having proved a complete failure. I am glad to report that the several "orators" who held forth more or less eloquently at the dinner had the good taste to refrain from any allusion to the inglorious share which the Japanese had in last year's *fiasco*. Most of the speakers dwelt on the good relations which had fortunately existed between the Chinese Consulate and the foreign residents during Mr. Li's term of office, and the hope was frequently expressed that the same happy relations would continue under his successor, which is quite likely, as the Secretary, Mr. Woo Chung-yon, who has so ably assisted the late Consul remains in office; he is one of the students sent by H.E. Li Hung-chang to study in foreign countries.

During the last few weeks foreigners have been virtually prevented from purchasing any country produce from the natives, and I believe the matter has been brought before the foreign diplomatic body, but with what result I am unable to say. It is not difficult, however, to foreshadow what may be the result, considering that the American Minister is in the United States on leave, the British Minister dead, and the German Consul-General on his way to Habana, while the present Doyen of the *Corps Diplomatique* is the Russian *Chargé d'Affaires*, Mr. Waber, who probably will not go out of his way more than he is compelled to fight the battle of foreigners, who are not his nationals, the only Russians in Korea, besides those employed in the Russian Legation, not being merchants, but employés of the Korean Government, viz., one engineer at the mint, and one tidewaiter in the Customs.

I learn that the Russians have obtained a splendid site for their Legation, and that 60,000 gold roubles have been granted (about $48,000, I believe) for the building. It is said that a Japanese contractor has got the job.

To refer once more to the complaint about foreigners being boycotted by the "Japs," I should mention that apparently a ring of Japanese brokers and firms are monopolising trade by bribing some of the native officials to force the native dealers to transact business with Japanese, only; and the sooner that ring is broken up the better for Korea's trade. I have reason to believe that under the very nose of the foreign representatives in Söul a kind of "lekia" squeezing arrangement is springing up in the Korean treaty ports, being fostered by a ring of certain greedy underlings, and that it is likely serious injury will be done to foreign merchants unless the so-called foreign "Ministers" in Söul or the apologies for such, manage to keep their eyes a little wider open, than they appear to have done hitherto, to the interests of their nationals.

The Dai In Kun sends his greetings and the compliments of the season, wishing you long life, health, happiness and a large family.—*Mercury* Correspondent.

The Japanese in Nagasaki refuse to forward telegrams sent from here via Shanghai. I believe the reason is that strong ill-feeling exists between the Japanese and Chinese on account of the latter having built an overland telegraph from Chemulpo via Seoul to China. The Japanese want to build a line from Seoul to Fusan, so as to be independent of the Chinese. A line already exists between Fusan and Nagasaki.—*Daily News* Correspondent.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

The following telegrams are taken from Calcutta papers received per steamer *Arratoon Apcar* yesterday morning:—

THE OCCUPATION OF BURMAH.

RANGOON, 15th December.

A telegram from the British Agent at Munipur reports the massacre of eleven European assistants of the Bombay-Burmah Corporation, who were working in the Chindwin forests on the breaking out of the war. They were making their way to Munipur, and had reached Kendat on the Chindwin river, when they were overtaken by a Burmese pursuing par' under Thandawzin Moung Lonebaung, and massacred.

The news from the frontier is that the detachment of the Scots Fusiliers under Lieutenant Churchill at Allanmyo has been relieved by a detail of the 2nd Bengal Infantry, and rejoins the Regimental head-quarters at Thayetmyo. The moveable column under Colonel Hamilton on the Thayetmyo Western Frontier is to be immediately reinforced by 50 men of the Fusiliers and 55 of the 23th Madras Infantry, rationed for 20 days, and is to co-operate with a force under Colonel Baker, commanding the 2nd Bengal Infantry, which left Meebla on Saturday. It proceeds to Talemmyo to restore order, and on returning thence it is to effect a junction with Colonel Hamilton. The combined force will then attack the enemy, known to be in an entrenched position a few miles distant.

The Kinwoon Mengyee is detained on board the *Clive*, pending an investigation regarding his share of the atrocities, which is supposed to be as great as the Tinedah Mengyee's.

The five sons of the late War Prince, with their wives and followers, are to be sent to-day to Tavoy, and kept under surveillance there.

MANDALAY, 10th December.

General Prendergast has received the following telegrams from the Viceroy and the Commander-in-Chief. The telegram from the Viceroy, dated Banmer, the 1st December, says:—"I congratulate you on the success of the Burmah expedition. You have conducted it entirely in accordance with the wishes and intentions of the Government of India, and we fully appreciate the military skill, prudence, and humanity which have enabled you to attain such important results at such little cost of life, and without engendering any animosity or ill-feeling between ourselves and the people of Upper Burmah. The Government of India will be obliged by your conveying to the officers and soldiers, both European and natives, under your command, its thanks for the manner in which they have seconded your efforts and sustained the credit of her Majesty's army."

Sir Frederick Roberts telegraphs from the camp at Gwalior, on the same date:—"My warmest congratulations on the very successful termination of the expedition entrusted to your charge. Everything seems to have been admirably done. My thanks to all the troops under your command."

In publishing the above telegrams, General Prendergast adds the expression of his own thanks for the assistance he has received from all ranks under his command, which has enabled him to carry out the duty assigned to the expedition to the satisfaction of the Government of India and of the Commander-in-Chief.

The head-quarters move to-day from the steamer *Doowoo*, where they have hitherto been established, to the Palace. Short service men serving in Burmah or in the Burmah Field Force are to be detained, under instructions from army headquarters, until further orders. The white elephant died yesterday. Its death at the present juncture is regarded by the Burmese as a bad omen for the late King and the Royal Family.

MANDALAY, 11th December.

Reports from the districts state that the circulation of General Prendergast's proclamation and notification issued by the Ministers is producing a tranquillizing effect on the people. The Council of Ministers continues to render hearty assistance to Colonel Sladen in carrying on the administration.

The *Alounggya*, with the Welsh Fusiliers, left on the way up-stream this morning under sealed orders.

The following telegrams are extracted from Australian papers:—

LONDON, 29th November.

A guerrilla war has broken out in the Basque Provinces of Spain, and Castile and Andalusia have been declared in a state of siege.

LONDON, 30th November.

Señor Sagasta, the new Spanish Premier, is favourable to the conclusion of a commercial treaty with Great Britain.

The programme of county matches for the forthcoming cricket season will be arranged on the 8th December.

LONDON, 1st December.

The Marquis of Abergavenny has been created a Knight of the Garter.

Sir John Gorrie, formerly Chief Justice of Fiji, and since holding a similar position in the Leeward Islands, has been appointed Chief Justice of Trinidad.

The Orient Company's steamship *John Elder* had an almost miraculous escape from being wrecked on the rocks at Cape Ushant during a fog on Sunday.

LONDON, 3rd December.

Mr. Leonard Henry Courtenay has been defeated for Edgecomb.

Among the defeated candidates are also Mr. Samuel Walker, Q.C., the late Liberal member for Londonderry, Right Hon. Lord Kensington, the late Liberal member for Haverfordwest, John Dick Peddie, the late Liberal member for Kilmarnock.

The Tories have carried the elections in the North of Ireland, including Armagh and North Londonderry.

In the grazing counties of England chiefly Liberal members have been returned.

The Parnellites are gaining seats from both the Liberals and the Conservatives in Ireland.

Right Hon. John Manners, the Postmaster-General has been elected.

The Hon. Sidney Herbert is among the rejected of the constituencies.

The *Standard*, in a leading article, urges the abolition of the obsolete regulations under which the War Office authorities refuse Major-General Downes, the Secretary of the Victorian Defence Commission, his pension, while he remains in the service of a Colonial Government.

It is proposed that a committee of merchants and others interested in the Australian trade be formed with the purpose of maintaining an organised opposition against the present shipping ring.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

MONDAY, 4th January.

EXPORT CARGOES.

Per German steamship *Hesperia*, sailed on the 28th December:—For Havre—208 packages canes, 25 cases essential oil, 251 rolls matting, 19 cases hair, and 8 packages sundries. For Havre option Hamburg—368 packages merchandise. For Hamburg—473 packages canes, 411 rolls matting, 100 cases cassia buds, 70 cases essential oil, 60 bales feathers, 50 cases star-aniseed, 19 packages rattan, and 88 packages sundries.

Per steamship *Titan*, sailed on the 28th December:—For London—107,793 lbs. congou, 124,131 lbs. scented caper, 41,580 lbs. scented orange pekoe, 2 cases silks, 25 cases bristles, 62 bales waste silk, 200 rolls matting, and 158 packages sundries. From Japan—125 bales tobacco, and 155 packages tea.

Per steamship *Hector*, sailed on the 30th December:—For London—3,409 lbs. congou, 67 bales waste silk, and 12 packages sundries. From Manila—23 cases cigars, and 450 bales hemp.

OPIUM.

Quotations are:—

Malwa (New).....$540 per picul, allce. of 2 [to 2¼ catties.

Malwa (Old).....$549 to 550 per picul, allce. [of 2¼ to 3 catties.

Patna (New).....$563 per chest.

Benares (New).....533 " "

Benares (Old).....520 nom. " "

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—

Telegraphic Transfer	3/3¾
Bank Bills, on demand	3/4
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	3/4¼
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	3/4½
Credits, at 4 months' sight	3/4½
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight	3/4½

ON PARIS.—

Bank Bills, on demand	4.21
Credits, at 4 months' sight	4.31

ON NEW YORK.—

Bank Bills, on demand	81⅞
Credits, 60 days' sight	82½

ON BOMBAY.—

Telegraphic Transfer	223
Bank, on demand	223½

ON CALCUTTA.—

Telegraphic Transfer	223
Bank, on demand	223½

ON SHANGHAI.—

Bank, at sight	72⅞
Private, 30 days' sight	73⅛

SHARES

Quotations are:—

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares—170 per cent. premium.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited—$450 per share.

China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—$63 per share.

North China Insurance—Tls. 300 per share.

Yangtsze Insurance Association—Tls. 128 per share.

Chinese Insurance Company, Limited—$170 per share.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 148 per share.

Canton Insurance Office, Limited—$80 per share, ex div.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$380 per share.

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$78 per share.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—70 per cent. prem.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—$54 premium, sellers.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Shares—5 per cent. discount.

China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited—30 per cent. discount, nominal.

Douglas Steamship Company, Limited—$48 per share.

Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—$30 per share.

Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—$155 per share.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$86 per share.

China Sugar Refining Company (Debentures)—2 per cent. premium nominal.

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$78 per share.

Hongkong Ice Company's Shares—$165 per share.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—$120 per share.

Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company—$20 per share.

Punjom and Sungkie Dua Samatan Mining Company, Limited—$8½.

Selangor Tin Mining Company—$10 per share.

Perak Sugar Cultivation Company—Tls. 18 per share.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—$61 per share.

Hongkong and Macao Glass Manufacturing Co., Limited—Par, nominal.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 A—2 per cent. premium.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—5 per cent. premium.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent. premium.

CHARTERS EFFECTED.

The following settlements are taken from Mr. J. LAMEE's Freight Circular:—

Ophir—Norwegian bark, 757 tons, to London and Hamburg, private terms.

Arnguta—British bark, 977 tons, to San Francisco, private terms.

Emily—British brig, 296 tons, Takao to Yokohama, 22½ cents per picul, 25 lay days.

Carl Bohn—German schooner, 262 tons, monthly charter, 6/2 months, $675 per month.

Protos—German steamer, 1,093 tons, to Saigon and back, 12 cents per picul, 15 lay days.

Triumph—German steamer, 673 tons, to Saigon and back, $2,000 in full, 12 lay days.

Kringell—British steamer, 1,153 tons, to Saigon and back, $4,000 in full, 16 lay days.

Japanese—British steamer, 1,204 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, re-charter 8 cents per picul, 9 lay days.

Tritos—German steamer, 1,340 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, re-charter 8½ cents per picul, 8 lay days.

Quanto—German steamer, 731 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 4 trips, 1st trip 8 cents per picul, 2nd trip 10½ cents per picul, 3rd trip 11½ cents per picul, 4th trip 12 cents per picul.

Lorne—British steamer, 1,035 tons, to Singapore and Penang, $2,500 in full, 6 lay days.

August—Norwegian steamer, 1,026 tons, to Singapore and Penang, $2,750 in full, 7 lay days.

Madras—British steamer, 1,696 tons, monthly charter, 3 months, $3,300 per month.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(FROM MESSRS. FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTRAR.)

January 4th.

Thermometer—8 A.M.	54
Thermometer—1 P.M.	62
Thermometer—4 P.M.	59
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THE CLUB.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
R. Craigie, b Watts	7	b Watts	12
G. Grimble, thrown out, Dawson	93	b Watts	25
E. R. Wood, c Comber, b Dawson	1	b Plumbe	11
A. de C. Scanlan, b Dawson	0	c Wheeler, b Christian	0
Capt. Maturin, b Dawson	13	b Christian	17
M. D. Graham, b Dawson	11	c sub, b Christian	6
W. H. P. Darby, b Dawson	26	c De Roberk, b Cornish	13
G. A. Bramwell, b Manning	4	not out	4
C. S. Barff, b Christian	37	not out	24
H. F. Wayte, not out	6		
A. Shepherd, c Dawson, b Christian	4		
Byes 5, leg bye 1, wides 2	8	Byes 3, wides 3, no balls 3	9
	160		160

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

First Innings.	Balls.	Runs.	Maidens.	Wickets.	Wides.
Dawson	110	52	8	5	2
Watts	35	30	—	1	—
Christian	10	3	—	2	—
Robinson	25	15	1	—	—
Manning	15	7	1	1	—
Bush	25	27	—	—	1
Second Innings.					
Watts	30	20	—	2	3
Christian	59	57	2	4	—
Manning	15	10	—	—	—
Plumbe	100	64	4	1	—

THE LATE SIR WALTER MEDHURST.

News was received by telegram on the 31st December of the death of Sir Walter Medhurst, who was for many years one of the most prominent figures in the Far East. After a long and distinguished career in the British Consular service in China, the deceased gentleman retired in 1877, the position he then held being that of Consul at Shanghai. The Shanghai community showed their appreciation of the value of his official services and his many admirable qualities as a gentleman by presenting him with a testimonial and address and he shortly afterwards received the honour of knighthood at the hands of the Queen. On the formation of the British North Borneo Company, Limited, Sir Walter identified himself with that important undertaking and in 1882 he returned to the East, in the interests of the company. One of the objects of his mission was to organize a system of emigration from China to the new territory, and in connection with that object he passed some eighteen months in this colony. In noting his departure from our midst "Banian" thus referred to him in these columns:—"The name of Medhurst was first brought into honourable notoriety by Sir Walter's erudite and distinguished father, but for the past thirty years it has been rendered familiar to the European public in China as that of an able, active, and obliging official, and in private life as that of an agreeable and courteous English gentleman. His Consular career in Shanghai was especially remarkable for the energetic stand which, conjointly with his naval colleague Captain Heneage, of H. M. S. *Rodney*, he made in defence of treaty rights at Yang Chow in 1868, the results of which admirable management are patent to this day by the high repute in which Europeans are now held in that district. These services would doubtless have received direct acknowledgment from the Government had not an unhappy accident at that moment brought a new Ministry into power. When Sir Walter retired from the service in 1877, the Shanghai community showed their appreciation of his merits by presenting to him a public address and a handsome testimonial. The home Government followed suit by recommending him to the Queen for the honour of knighthood, a recognition of faithful service most seasonably bestowed. It may not be generally known to my readers that Sir Walter formed one of a party who landed here in 1841 to inspect the barren rock which had just been ceded to the British Crown. He now, I understand, quits these shores for ever, and his commanding form and well known features will long be missed from our thoroughfares, public gatherings, and private drawing rooms, in which latter his cheery smile and social gifts have always made him a most welcome guest. His memory will long be cherished by the warm friends he has made here." Sir Walter was a facile writer with a wide knowledge of men and things, and communications from his pen have on several occasions appeared in our columns. The following is his record given in the Foreign Office List:—

Medhurst, Sir Walter Henry, entered the Service, October 1840, as a clerk in the Chinese Secretary's Office of the British Superintendancy of Trade in China; was attached to the late Sir Henry Pottinger's suite in August, 1841, in which capacity he was present at the taking of Amoy and Chusan; was left as Interpreter to the Garrison at the latter place from October, 1841, till December, 1842. Was present at the storming and capture of Kuloolang. Brigadier-General Staveley, in his despatch of October 24, 1862, stated that he had invariably received the greatest assistance from Mr. Medhurst. He received the war medal for his services in China; was appointed Interpreter at Shanghai, October 7, 1849, on the opening of that port for trade under Treaty; acted as Vice-Consul at Amoy from April, 1849, till August, 1849; was appointed Chinese Secretary to the Superintendent of Trade in China, August, 1850; and acted as Secretary and Registrar to the Superintendancy of Trade from July, 1853, till November 9, 1854, when he was appointed Consul at Foo-chow-foo; was transferred to Tangchow, December 21, 1858; was some time Acting Consul at Foochow-foo and Shanghai. Was transferred to Hankow, January 25, 1864; and was Acting Consul at Shanghai from July 23, 1868, till January 24, 1871, when he was permanently appointed to that post. Retired on a pension, January 1, 1877. Was knighted, March 20, 1877.

HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

A general meeting of the shareholders of the High Level Tramway Company was held at the Company's Office, No. 36, Queen's-road Central, on the 31st December, to comply with the requirements of the Companies Ordinance, which provides that a general meeting shall be held within four months of the registration of a company.

There were present—Mr. A. F. Smith (Chairman), Hon. P. Ryrie, Messrs. N. J. Ede, J. B. Coughtrie, G. M. Bain, W. Witton, D. R. Crawford, J. Macishoss, and J. F. Boulton, the Company's engineer.

The CHAIRMAN stated that the meeting was held simply in accordance with the requirements of the Ordinance; there was no special business to bring before the meeting, but he would be happy to answer any questions that might be asked.

A general conversation then took place, and Mr. Boulton pointed out on the plans the progress of the work in making the track. Contract No. 1, which consists of 1,500 feet above Kennedy-road, is practically finished, and contract No. 3, higher up the hill, has been started with a deep cutting, over which the new conduit will be carried by a bridge. It was also stated that there are two overseers superintending the work, and the contractor has given security in the sum of $10,000 to complete the work in the time stipulated. Mr. Anderson, who has been to England to make arrangements for the purchase of the plant, is expected back by the 10th of next month.

The CHAIRMAN—So far, gentlemen, the work seems to proceed very satisfactorily. We hope to do a great deal this winter. The weather is very favourable, and before long we hope to be at work at all points. The work at the top will be commenced before China New Year, because we have to get it in order for Mr. Ede to reside there next summer. Of course every one knows no one likes breaking the sods near residences during the summer time, and therefore that work must be completed during the winter. I think the plant will be here by next September and the tramway ought to be completed in a very few months after that. Not much work can be done during the summer, but the made part of the road is now pretty secure against rains, being almost as hard as Queen's-road, and the pitch of the sides is well pointed, so as to avoid any washing away of the work.

Mr. EDE—Then you think the tramway will be finished in the spring of 1887?

The CHAIRMAN—That is my own estimate—sometime in the winter.

Mr. BOULTON—We will be finished by this time next year.

Mr. COUGHTRIE—You will be earning money by that time.

Mr. BOULTON—Yes.

The CHAIRMAN thanked the shareholders present for their attendance, and the meeting terminated.

QUARANTINE IN HONGKONG.

The Secretary of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce has forwarded to us for publication the following letter received by the Chairman from the Colonial Government on the subject of Quarantine in this colony:—

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 23th December, 1885.

SIR,—Adverting to my letter No. 1278 of the 16th September last regarding the transmission to the Secretary of State for the Colonies of the Chamber's letter of the 15th September, on the subject of the Quarantine Regulations of the Colony, I have the honour by direction of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government to inform you that Colonel Stanley, while adhering to the opinion that the system of precaution against the introduction of infectious diseases from abroad which is adopted in England is generally preferable to that of Quarantine, is not prepared, in view of the insanitary condition of Hongkong and other local circumstances, to overrule the decision of the Colonial Government to retain for the present the modified system of Quarantine embodied in the existing regulations.—I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

(Sd.) FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

The Hon. W. Keswick, Chairman, Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

HONGKONG.

The cross suit in Admiralty, *Glenfruin* v. *Camorta*, *Camorta* v. *Glenfruin*, was concluded on the 30th ult., and judgment was reserved. On the 30th ult., also, the exhibits to be forwarded from Hongkong to the Colonial and Indian exhibition of 1886 were displayed in the City Hall, and remained on view for two or three days. The American corvette *Omaha* arrived here on the 30th ult., from New York to join the squadron of Admiral Davis. The troopship *Orontes*, with relief crews for the *Audacious*, *Constance*, and *Linnet*, arrived here on the 31st ult., and the chartered transport *Venetia*, with a draft of 235 rank and file for the Northamptonshire Regiment and a Battery of Artillery, arrived on the 2nd inst. News was received on the 31st ult., by telegraph, of the death, in London, of Sir Walter Medhurst, formerly British Consul in Shanghai. The first meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong High Level Tramway Company, Limited, was held on the 31st ult. A cricket match, Hongkong Cricket Club v. The Navy—Return, was played on the 1st and 2nd inst., and was stoutly contested, the Club winning by three wickets. The New Year holidays have been kept in the usual manner, picnics and parties being general.

The Government Astronomer has received telegraphic information that there was a severe shock of earthquake at Bolinao, Philippines, on the 1st instant, at 4.36 p.m., which lasted about twenty-five seconds.

Another gentleman has been added to the list of solicitors of this colony. On the 30th ultimo at the Supreme Court, on the motion of the Attorney-General, Mr. John Francis Webber was admitted by the Chief Justice to practice as a solicitor in that court. Mr. Webber has come out to assist Mr. Ewens.

The Spanish corvette *Dona Maria de Molina* arrived at Manila on the 24th December to join the Philippine squadron. The *Comercio* says that in addition to the gunboat *Elcano*, the gunboat *Magallanes* and the cruisers *Castilla* and *Infanta Isabel* are also to be commissioned for the same station.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that Mr. H. E. Wodehouse, Police Magistrate, Coroner, and Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, has been granted four months' vacation leave, and that Mr. N. G. Mitchell-Innes (Assistant Registrar-General) has been appointed temporarily Acting Police Magistrate and Coroner.

By the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Mirzapore*, which arrived here on Saturday, the 2nd inst., H.E. Chang Chow-yeh, Chinese Minister to the United States, and suite were among the passengers. His Excellency will visit Canton and then leave for his new field of labour some time after the China New Year.

On Thursday morning, the 31st ult., we had the pleasure of seeing the plans of the hotel the Hongkong High Level Tramways Company intend to erect on Mr. Ede's lot at the Gap. The building is of semi-circular form extending from the northern side of the lot round past the Gap to the south side. It will be two stories high, and will contain thirty-two bedrooms, in addition to dining room, billiard room, bar, and all the other appurtenances of a well-appointed hotel.

At the regular meeting of the Zetland Lodge of Freemasons, No. 525, held on the 29th ult. Wor. Bro. G. C. Cox, who had been re-elected W.M., invested the officers for the ensuing year as follows:—S.W., Bro. M. Falconer; J.W., Bro. C. A. Cornish; Treasurer, Bro. J. Willmott; Secretary, Wor. Bro. W. M. B. Arthur; S.D., Bro. J. D. Ball; J.D., Bro. A. D. Death; D.C., Bro. W. S. Bamsey; Steward, Bro. G. A. Taylor; Tyler, Bro. J. R. Grimble.

Two alarms of fire were sounded on Sunday morning the 3rd inst., but fortunately neither of them was allowed to attain any appreciable proportions. At 9 a.m. the first alarm was given indicating a conflagration in the central district, the chimney of house No. 27, Gage-street having caught fire, but it was soon put out by the inmates. Shortly after that, at 9.45, the second alarm was given, information having reached the Station that Messrs. Blackhead & Co.'s store was on fire. It was found that some books in that store had in some way set ablaze but, thanks to the promptitude of those engaged in putting it out, the outbreak was checked in an early stage. It is supposed that through the proverbial carelessness of the Chinese some lighted cigarette ends must have been thrown among the books by the coolies engaged in the store.

The American corvette *Omaha*, Capt. Thomas O. Selfridge, arrived here on the 30th ult. from New York, which port she left on the 12th Aug., calling at Naples, where she stopped for a month on account of repairs being required to her engine. She then called at Port Said, Suez, Aden, Bombay, Colombo, Singapore, and Manila, which latter port she left on the 23th December. The following are the officers' names:—Captain T. O. Selfridge, Lieutenant-Commander F. Courtis, Lieutenants W. W. Gillpatrick, A. Mertz, W. Winder, M. A. Shufeldt, and C. M. McCartney; Ensigns C. H. Harlow, H. G. Dorsie, S. S. Van Duzer, and G. W. Brown; Midshipmen J. G. Tawresey, Jos. Strouse, D. S. Nes, and G. R. Evans; Chief Engineer G. W. Magee; P. Assistant Engineer G. H. Ransom; Assistant Engineers C. A. Carr and W. D. Weaver; Paymaster Geo. H. Griffing; Assistant Paymaster H. D. Alexander; Surgeon E. Kershner; 1st Lt. Marines, P. St. C. Murphy; Chaplain C. Q. Wright; Boatswain J. J. Killin, and Carpenter J. E. Keen. The *Omaha* is a vessel of 2,400 tons and carries 12 guns. She will remain on the China station for three years. On her arrival she exchanged salutes with the port, Admiral Hamilton (returned by the *Audacious*), and with Admiral Rieunier (returned by the *Turenne*).

The steamship *Venetia*, chartered by the Government from the P. & O. S. N. Co., arrived here on Saturday afternoon, the 2nd inst., with troops from Portsmouth and Ceylon. She also brought on the London mail of the 27th November transhipped from the *Khedive*. The following are the names of the officers and numbers of troops.—From Portsmouth: Major R. J. Chaytor and Mrs. Chaytor, Lieuts. W. E. Peel and Armitage, and 285 rank and file, with 6 women and 11 children, of the Northamptonshire Regiment; also Mrs. Foley, infant and nurse; also Captain T. S. Baldock, R.A., and Mrs. Baldock, with 25 rank and file, draft for 5th Battery First Brigade Eastern Division. From Colombo:—Captain E. C. Hawkshaw, Lieuts. J. D. Anderson and C. E. Laurie, and 87 rank and file with 7 women and 15 children of the 5th Battery First Brigade Eastern Division R.A. Also Colonel W. D. Carey, R.A., and General and Mrs. Gordon. The troops were landed during the afternoon and marched to Barracks. The new Battery of Artillery have taken up their quarters at the Macgregor Barracks, and the Lancashire Battery have gone under canvas on the parade ground of the North Barracks, of which they will take possession so soon as the Southern Division Battery have embarked for Ceylon, which will be on the 14th instant.

The British transport *Orontes*, Captain C. B. Theobald, R.N., from Portsmouth, Malta, Aden, and Singapore, arrived here on the 31st ult. bringing relief crews for the *Audacious*, *Constance*, and *Linnet*. The following are the officers arrived:—For the *Audacious*—Capt. Harris, R.A., Capt. Wilkinson, R.M., Commander F. Powell, Staff Commander G. G. Douglas; Lieutenants H. Leach, C. W. P. Allen, P. W. Bush, E. J. Carns-Wilton, R. A. Allenby; Sub-Lieut., Lord F. Osborne; Paymaster, T. C. Joynson; Assistant Paymasters, H. W. Braddon, S. E. Elliott, R. C. Baker; Fleet Surgeon, J. W. Fisher, M.O.; Surgeons, T. R. MacDonnell, J. C. F. Whicher; Chief Engineer, L. M. Green; Assist. Engineers, W. J. Anstey, E. J. Murphy, F. D. Thomsett; Midshipmen, W. A. Barkley, C. J. Collins, S. A. Hickly, J. Luce, H. T. J. Marshall; Navigating Cadets, H. J. Savill, R. H. Keate, F. W. R. Hewitt; Gunner, H. Bennett; Boatswains, W. Hayden, J. Fitzgerald, T. Rice. For the *Linnet*—Commander Wm. Marrack, Lieuts. C. J. F. M. Cradock, E. C. Powell, W. O. Thurburn; Paymaster, W. J. Hubbard; Surgeon, J. H. Whelan; and Gunner, B. H. Birch. For the *Ayamemnon*—Assistant Engineer A. E. Tompkins. For the *Zephyr*—Assistant Paymaster G. W. H. Maggs. For the *Victor Emanuel*—Surgeon A. G. Wilder; Staff Surgeon T. J. Preston; Boatswain F. G. Green. For the *Constance*—Capt. W. Millett; Lieuts. E. L. MacArthur, R. H. Gubbins, F. E. E. Brock, A. Y. C. M. Spearman, R. Peters, R.M.; Navigating Lieut. G. G. S. Irving; Sub-Lieut., — Leggatt; Paymaster, H. W. C. E. Batchelor; Staff Surgeon, J. Robertson; Chief Engineer, — McEwen; Engineer, — Cornish; Assistant Engineer, — Roper; Surgeon, Von Tunzelman; Gunner, J. Alford; Boatswains, G. Martlew and L. H. Crouch.

The Members of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Companies' Volunteer Fire Brigade had their annual picnic on New Year's Day. The Dock Company kindly placed the *Pilot Fish* at their service, and a party of some seventy gentlemen proceeded in that taut and graceful little boat to a bay near Port Shelter, where a landing was effected, and tables having been set on the sands out of range of the foaming breakers, an excellent tiffin was laid out. With appetites sharpened by the sea breezes, the guests did full justice to the bountiful spread. The following is the menu:—

SOUPS.
Ox Tail and Mulligatawny.
COLD JOINTS.
Roast Beef.
Roast Saddle of Mutton. Roast Turkey
Boiled Ham. Roast Capon.
Roast Wild Duck.
REMOVES.
Boned Turkey with Truffle.
Paté de Foie Gras Jelly. Game Pie.
Chicken Salad. Cold Pheasant.
Potatoes. Peas.
PASTRY.
Gooseberry Tart.
Mince Pies. Wine Jelly.
Fancy Cakes. Sponge Cake Pyramid.
Pound Cake Pyramid. Vanilla Ice Cream.
DESSERT.
Coffee. Liqueurs.

After tiffin the Hon. W. Keswick proposed the toast of "The Hongkong Brigade" in very complimentary terms, coupling with it the name of Mr. Coxon, its Foreman. Mr. Coxon replied in a genial and amusing speech, in which while asserting his belief that the Brigade would on all occasions be found ready, he said they had still much to learn. The Hon. P. Ryrie then proposed the health of the Chairman (Mr. Keswick) in warm terms. The toast was drunk with musical honours and much enthusiasm. Mr. Keswick having replied, Mr. Macgregor proposed The Dock Company and its employés, coupling with the toast the name of Mr. Gillies, the obliging secretary. The toast was received and drunk with acclamation, and Mr. Gillies responded in suitable terms. The whole company then adjourned to the shadow of some neighbouring rocks, where Mr. Afong secured two photographs of the group. A division subsequently took place, the larger half of the party walking overland to Junk Bay, while the rest went on board the *Pilot Fish*, which steamed round to Junk Bay to pick up the pedestrians. On the way home the passage was enlivened by songs, and the steamer reached Pedder's Wharf about half-past seven o'clock. Upon landing the party formed into line and, led by Mr. Ryrie, gave three hearty cheers for Mr. Keswick. Thus was brought to a conclusion a trip which, having everything in its favour, including perfect weather, was most thoroughly enjoyable and enjoyed.

CHINA.

SHANGHAI.

The *Mercury* says that the German gunboat *Nautilus*, now in Shanghai, is to make a lengthy stay there, during which she will be fitted with a spar deck.

We (*Daily News*) are very happy to hear that M. Eugène Gabriel Vouillemont, manager of the Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris at Shanghai, has received the decoration of Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur. M. Vouillemont's friends will doubtless join with us in offering our congratulations.

According to the *Cathay Post*, a petition for damages has been filed in H.B.M.'s Supreme Court by a certain Mr. Rosario against the proprietors and publishers of the *Shanghai Mercury*, which lately contained an article considered by plaintiff as tending to damage his reputation. Damages are set at Tls. 1,000.

A very serious accident occurred up country a few days ago (says the *Daily News* of the 28th ult.), whereby one foreigner was shot in the eye by another foreigner while on a gunning expedition. The injured person, a young man but recently arrived here, a Mr. Pearce, on getting back to the Settlement was attended to by some medical gentlemen who found it necessary to remove one of his eyes.

A correspondent of the *Daily News* at Tientsin writes:—"No ice yet (17th Dec.) in the river. The weather continues fine and mild. The most extraordinary yarns have reached us from Peking, one of which is to the effect that Li Chung-tang has taken gold-leaf and that twenty camps have mutinied. The fun is that the Ministers actually believed it! and their excitement was great. It is a shame to take such advantage of their credulity."

The *Daily News* says:—The steamer *Madras*, from Newcastle, has arrived at Shanghai, and is now alongside Hunt's Wharf, where she is to discharge eight 40-ton muzzle loading Armstrong guns. She also brought out 800 tons of shot and shell for the Chinese Government. Some of the shots weigh 600 lbs. each, a single gun and appliances costing over £10,000. Two of these 40-ton guns are for Woosung, and the others are to be distributed along the coast.

The *Mercury* reports the rather curious disappearance of one of the Shanghai pilots. It says:—The steamer *Changking* left Shanghai at 4 o'clock on the 28th ult. on her usual trip for Ningpo. Shortly after 9 o'clock the same night Captain Shaw, of the *Changking*, sent a message to Mr. Groundwater, who had gone to his cabin on deck about 6 o'clock, to come up on the bridge and relieve him, but he was not to be found. Search was at once instituted, but up to the present time no traces of the missing gentleman can be discovered. Mr. Groundwater was a universal favourite amongst all who knew him, and his kind, genial face will be much missed.

A meeting of the Royal Sussex Lodge, Shanghai, was held on the 28th December at the Masonic Hall, when the Master and Officers for the ensuing year were installed and invested. The ceremony of installing the Worshipful Master elect, Bro. R. W. Astill, was conducted by R. W. Bro. Thorne, P.D.G.M., Northern China, and the other officers were invested by R. W. Bro. C. H. Dallas, D.G.M., Japan, who was initiated into Freemasonry in this Lodge. Among those present were R. W. Bro. I. J. Miller, D.D.G.M. in charge Northern China, R. W. Bro. C. M. Donaldson, W. Bros. C. J. Holland, G. Martin, F. L. Skinner, A. M. A. Evans, E. P. Lalcaca, A. Johnsford, and G. B. Fontum. The following are the officers for the ensuing year:—W. Bro. R. W. Astill, W. M.; W. Bro. A. M. A. Evans, I.P.M.; Bro. G. M. Hart, S. W.; Bro. J. West, J. W.; W. Bro. Johnsford, Treas.; Bro. S. R. Gale, Sec.; Bro. R. Pestonjee, S.D.; Bro. W. M. Harris, J.D.; Bro. De Castro, Organist; Bro. G. W. Luce, D.C.; Bro. E. Ebrahim, I.G.; Bro. C. Merritt, Tyler.

The *Shanghai Courier* has the following:—The definitive treaty between France and China is agreed to at last. It appears that M. Cogordan, the special envoy from France, brought out from Paris in his pocket a treaty all ready for China to sign, but Li Hung-chang would have none of it; it was much too favourable to France, and Li knew that the French were tired of the Tonquin business, and that the day of the Tricous and Patenotres was over for the present. He has accordingly stuck out firmly and M. Cogordan has had to give way, and the result is that after two and a half years of negotiation and fighting, the needless slaughter of hecatombs of men, and the waste of millions of money, *France will have to accept the Bourée treaty* almost in its entirety. France is to hold no more than the delta of Tonquin and is to have a nominal protectorate over the rest of the country, and there will be a neutral zone between France and China, so that the delimitation commission, a part of which is resting quietly at Lungchow, and another part plodding wearily towards Yünnan, is no longer wanted."

The *N. C. Daily News* publishes the following fuller particulars of the collision which occurred on the Hwangpoo at Shanghai on the afternoon of the 23rd instant, between the steamers *Claymore* and *Suez*:—The former vessel was anchored in No. 9 section, and the latter, having discharged her cargo at the Old Ningpo Wharf, was being towed by the *Samson* to the New Dock. At this time, about half-past one o'clock, the tide was running flood, and in crossing the river, the *Suez* was carried on top of the *Claymore*, striking the bows of the latter and injuring herself abreast of the main-mast on the starboard side. She then dragged along till her propeller got foul of the *Claymore's* cable, remaining at right angles to that vessel. As soon as the latter accident happened, the captain of the *Suez* let go his port anchor, but the two vessels remained in contact for some hours afterwards. The force of the first blow made a rent in the side of the *Suez* about eight feet long by two feet broad at the widest part. As a portion of the rent was below the water line, the water rushed in, but the hole was soon plugged with canvas and whatever else was handy. At the same time, the steamer took a list or was listed to port, and this brought the fractured part above the water line. Some of the woodwork of the *Suez* was damaged, but not seriously. The *Claymore* does not appear to have received much injury. Tugs went to the assistance of the interlocked steamers, while the *Claymore* got up steam. The *Suez* was subsequently towed to the New Dock.

JAPAN.

YOKOHAMA.

There was launched on the 22nd ult. at Kanagawa a schooner of about 80 tons, designed for the otter-hunting and other similar trade. The vessel, which was named the *Arctic*, is owned by Captain P. C. Fullert.

The schooner *Adele* (40 tons) owned by Mr. F. Retz, which has been laid up for repairs at Kanagawa, was re-launched on the 22nd ult. after undergoing a thorough overhaul, and will go to sea in a few days.—*Mail.*

A *Japan Mail* translation from the native papers says:—A Chinese firm has it in contemplation to ply three steamers between Yokohama and Shanghai calling at Kobe, Shimonoseki, and Nagasaki with the principal object of undertaking the coasting transport business of Japan. Of late the quantity of cargo transported between Hongkong, Annam, and the neighbourhood has greatly decreased, and many steamers are about to change the scene of their employment. We commend the above report to the consideration of Japanese shipping companies.

TOKYO.

It is stated that the probable successor to the late Mr. Davidow, Russian Minister to Japan, will be a secretary to the Russian Legation in London, or a chief secretary in the Russian Foreign Office.

A Japanese paper states that 925 Japanese emigrants, including 275 women, will leave for Hawaii on the 28th inst. along with Mr. Taro Ando, the Japanese Consul-General for Hawaii, and a number of Japanese inspectors.

The *Japan Mail* learns that Chevalier E. Martin Lanciarez, First Secretary of the Italian Legation in Tokyô, has received instructions from his Government to proceed to China and assume the duties of Chargé d'Affaires, during the absence of the Italian Minister, who leaves Shanghai for Europe next February. The people of Shanghai are to be congratulated on their good fortune. M. Lanciarez is one of the most popular officials who have ever been in Japan, and his departure will be a source of universal and lasting regret to both the Japanese and the foreign communities.

The *Nichi Nichi Shimbun* states that the Japanese Government has at length resolved on devoting public money to the completion of one of the two large works which the people of Niigata Prefecture have been agitating for—the improvement of the harbour of Niigata, and the re-construction of the banks of the Shinano. The latter undertaking has been prudently selected as the subject of immediate operations. The work will be executed half at official and half at local expense. Several officials of the Public Works Bureau are to be sent at once to the prefecture, the object being to commence work early in January.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

Neither the CAPTAINS, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS, will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crews of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

AIRLIE, Brit. str., Ellis.—Russell & Co.
ALDEN BESSE, Amr. bk., J. A. O'Brien.—Melchers & Co.
ARUGADA, Brit. bk., Jas. A. C. Green.—Messageries Maritimes.
CAMORTA, Dut. str., Oreille.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CENTENNIAL, Amr. bk., T. M. Bearse.—Captain.
CHANNEL QUEEN, Brit. bk., Le Lacheur.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.
CICERO, Brit. str., A. George.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
COLOMA, Amr. bk., C. M. Noyes.—Captain.
DICKY, Ger. str., Hochreuter.—Wieler & Co.
EDWARD RIDDLE, Amr. bk., Griffers.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
ELISE, Ger. bk., C. F. Bruhn.—Wieler & Co.
ELISE, Ger. ship, F. Rowehl.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
EMILY F. WHITNEY, Amr. ship, H. B. Rollins.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
FEI-LUNG, Brit. str., Allison.—Butterfield & Swire.
FELIX, Rus. bk., G. Wahlberg.—Melchers & Co.
GLENFRUIN, Brit. str., Norman.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
GREAT ADMIRAL, Amr. ship, B. Thompson.—Captain.
HABTER, Brit. str., Grandin.—Chinese.
HELICON, Amr. ship, T. B. Howes.—Russell & Co.
IPHIGENIA, Ger. str., F. Ahrens.—Siemssen & Co.
LADY HAREWOOD, Brit. bk., Williams.—Chinese.
MAY, Brit. sch., Geo. Robb.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
NORMANTON, Brit. str., Drake.—Siemssen & Co.
OBERON, Brit. ship, F. E. Farrell.—Russell & Co.
SOOLOO, Brit. bk., Barker.—Borneo Co., Limited.
SPARTAN, Amr. bk., Henry Cairn.—Captain.
THREE BROTHERS, Brit. bk., H. Kahlike.—Chinese.
VILLA DE RIVADAVIA, Spanish brig, M. de Carmus.—Brandao.
VORTIGEEN, Brit. str., J. Brown.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	CAPTAIN.	AT	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., VIA SUEZ CANAL	Mirzapore (str.)	R. Harvey		P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Chingwo (str.)	R. H. Machugh	Hongkong	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	On or about 8th inst.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Agamemnon (str.)	Wilding	Hongkong	Butterfield & Swire	On 8th inst.
LONDON AND HAMBURG	Ophir	Samsomsen	Hongkong	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick despatch.
HAVRE AND HAMBURG	Marguerite	Omnès	Hongkong	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick despatch.
HAVRE AND LONDON	Elise	Rowehl	Hongkong	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Quick despatch.
LONDON	J. B. Newcomb	Newcomb	Hongkong	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick despatch.
MARSEILLES VIA SAIGON, &c.	Natal (str.)	Such		Messageries Maritimes	On 12th inst., at Noon.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	Claymore (str.)	Galland	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA YOKOHAMA, &c.	City of Peking (str.)			P. M. S. S. Co.	On or about 19th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA YOKOHAMA	Belgic (str.)			O. & O. S. S. Co.	On 15th inst., at 3 P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO	Grandee	Ellis	Hongkong	Melchers & Co.	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO	Aruguda	Green	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
VICTORIA, B.C.	George	W. Grant	Hongkong	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Quick despatch.
SYDNEY AND MELBURNE, &c.	Airlie (str.)	Ellis	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	On 13th inst., at 5 P.M.
BOMBAY VIA STRAITS	Zambesi (str.)		Hongkong	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at 2.30 P.M.
CALCUTTA VIA STRAITS	Taisang (str.)	Davies	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	On 12th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, HIOGO, &c.	Cardiganshire (str.)	W. E. Courtney		Adamson, Bell & Co.	On or about 4th inst.
SHANGHAI	Bellerophon (str.)	Freeman	Hongkong	Butterfield & Swire	To-morrow, Daylight.
SHANGHAI	Amoy (str.)	R. Kohler	Hongkong	Siemssen & Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI VIA AMOY	Sarpedon (str.)	Chrimes	Hongkong	Butterfield & Swire	On 9th inst.
SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW	Namoa (str.)	Westoby	Hongkong	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	On 7th inst., Daylight.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR YOKOHAMA, HIOGO, AND NAGASAKI.

THE Steamship

"CARDIGANSHIRE,"

W. R. Courtney, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 4th January.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 28th December, 1885. [2304

STEAM TO BOMBAY VIA STRAITS.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"ZAMBESI,"

will leave for the above place TO-MORROW, the 6th January, at 2.30 P.M.
A. McIVER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 25th December, 1885. [53

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"NAMOA,"

Captain Westoby, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 7th inst., at DAYLIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1886. [79

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHINGWO,"

R. H. Machugh, Commander, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 8th January.
For Freight, etc., apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1886. [62

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"AGAMEMNON,"

Captain Wilding, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 8th January.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 30th December, 1885. [2191

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW, and PORTS on the YANGTZE.)

THE Company's Steamship

"SARPEDON,"

Captain Chrimes, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 9th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1886. [82

UNION LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Departure of the Steamship

"CLAYMORE,"

Captain Gulland, for the above Port, is POSTPONED until further notice.
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8.00 "	8.30 "	7.30 "	8.00 "
8.50 "	9.00 "	9.00 "	10.15 "
9.40 "	*10.15 "	10.30 "	12.00 NOON.
*10.45 "	12.30 P.M.	12.30 P.M.	1.00 P.M.
12.45 P.M.	1.00 "	1.30 "	2.00 "
1.50 "	2.00 "	3.30 "	3.00 "
2.20 "	2.30 "	3.50 "	4.00 "
3.30 "	4.00 "	4.15 "	4.30 "
4.15 "	4.30 "	4.50 "	5.10 "
4.50 "	5.10 "	5.25 "	5.4 "
5.25 "	5.40 "	6.15 "	6.40 "
6.15 "	6.45 "	7.00 "	—
7.00 "	—	—	—

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Cuttlefish, Japan	$22.50 to 23.00
Cuttlefish, Japan, without bones, p. pl.	$15.50 to 16.50
Cuttlefish, Chauchow, per picul	$26.00 to 27.50
Dates, Black, per picul	Tls. 28.5 to 29.7
Dates, Red, per picul	Tls. 3.2.5 to 2.3.5
Dried Lily Flowers	$7.65 to 7.75
Elephant's Teeth, 4 to 5 pieces	$250 to 300
Elephant's Teeth, 7 to 8 pieces	$300 to 320
Flour, California, per sack of 50 lbs.	$1.50 to 1.55
Flour, American, per barrel of 100 lbs.	$3.20 to 3.30
Flour, American, per barrel of 200 lbs.	$6.2 to 6.65
Fungus	$29.00 to 30.00
Ginseng, American, 1st quality, p. picul	$200 to 205
Ginseng, American, 2nd quality, p. picul	$160 to 210
Hams, Ordinary, per picul	Tls. 17.7.0 to 18.0.0
Hams, Superior, per picul	Tls. 29.5.0 to 31.0.0
Hemp, Hankow, per picul	$10.50 to 12.00
Hemp, Siam, per picul	$10.40 to 11.00
Isinglass, Japan, per picul	$33.00 to 37.00
Melon Seeds, 1st quality, per picul	$4.00 to 5.30
Melon Seeds, 2nd quality, per picul	$4.50 to 4.70
Mushrooms, per picul	$38.0 to 45.50
Mussels, Dry Siam large, per picul	$8.95 to 9.15
Mussels, Dry Siam middle, per picul	$7.25 to 7.45
Mussels, Dry Siam small, per picul	$6.15 to 6.30

Paddy, per picul	6.0.0 to 6.0.0
Peas, White, per picul	$2.15 to 2.60
Peas, Green, per picul	$2.25 to 2.30
Peas, Black, per picul	$2.15 to 2.15
Peas, Yellow, per picul	$2.00 to 2.12
Peas, Green Beans, per picul	$2.15 to 2.63
Pearl Barley, per picul	$6.50 to 7.50
Rice, Siam, No. 1, per picul	$1.82 to 1.90
Rice, Siam, No. 2, per picul	$1.70 to 1.73
Rice, Siam, milled No. 1, per picul	$1.54 to 1.65
Rice, Siam, milled No. 2, per picul	$1.40 to 1.45
Rice, Saigon, No. 1, per picul	$1.87 to 1.90
Rice, Saigon, Hemp bags	$1.72 to 1.74
Rice, Saigon, Straw bags	$1.70 to 1.71
Seaweed, Green, per picul	$1.95 to 2.10
Seaweed, Cut, per picul	$2.25 to 2.48
Sesamum, White, per picul	$4.95 to 5.10
Sesamum, Black, per picul	Tls. 2.4.5 to 2.5.0
Sharkefins, per picul	$35.00 to 60.00
Shellfish, Japan, per picul	$27.00 to 29.00
Shellfish, California, per picul	$11.50 to 12.00
Stockfish, per picul	$5.00 to 6.5
Straits Produce, &c.,—	
Betel Nut, per picul	$4.17 to .20
Pepper, White, per picul	$27.50 to 27.00
Pepper, Black, per picul	$18.50 to 19.50
Rattan, Straits, per picul	$5.25 to 5.45
Rattans, Bangar, per picul	$4.25 to 4.50
Sandal Wood, Malabar, per picul	$7.95 to 4.0
Sandal Wood, South Seas, per picul	$17.00 to 17.50
Sapan Wood, Manila, per picul	$1.45 to 1.65
Sapan Wood, Siam, per picul	$2.25 to 2.35
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 1, p. pcl.	$5.32 to 5.54
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 2, p. pcl.	$4.02 to 4.23
Sugar, Shek-lung, Brown, per picul	$ 27 to 2.54
Sugar Candy, Shek-lung, per picul	$8.65 to 8.67
Sugar Candy, Foochow, per picul	$8.77 to 8.78
Sugar Candy, Swatow, White, per picul	$3.94 to 3.45
Vermicelli, Tientsin, per picul	$7.50 to 7.7
Wood Oil, per picul	Tls. 3.0.0 to 6.0.0
Window Glass, per box	$3.15 to 3.00

SHIPPING IN THE CHINA WATERS.

VESSELS.	TIME OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
HONGKONG.						
STEAMERS.						
Adelie	Dec. 21	Ellis	Brit. str	1492	Russell & Co	Australia
Albany	Dec. 24	Ed. Porter	Brit. str	1189	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Alwine	Dec. 30	P. Voss	Ger. str	490	Wieler & Co	
Amoy	Dec. 28	Koehler	Brit. str	815	Siemssen & Co	Shanghai
Arcadian Apcar	Jan. 4	Mactarish	Brit. str	1292	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co	
August	Dec. 26	Peter Isberg	Nor. str	10 6	Captain	
Bellerophon	Dec. 3	Walker	Brit. str	4 12	O. & O. S. S. Co	S. Francisco
Bellerophon	Jan. 3	Freeman	Brit. str	1396	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai
Camosta	Oct. 15	Oreille	Dut. str	1291	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Chusan	Dec. 13	George	Brit. str	1039	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
Deuche	Jan. 3	Anderson	Brit. str	561	Yuen Fat Hong	
Desima	Dec. 20	P. Oestmann	Ger. str	965	Siemssen & Co	
Doctor	Dec. 18	Lathjens	Ger. str	1197	Ed. Schellhass & Co	
Dirigo	Oct. 13	Reshentzer	Ger. str	1 16	Vidler & Co	
Eider	Sept. 21	Schulte	Ger. str	921	Melchers & Co	
Elsa	Dec. 18	Kuschert	Ger. str	552	A. R. Marty	
Esmeralda	Jan. 2	E. Taylor	Brit. str	395	Russell & Co	Amoy
Fei-lung	Dec. 15	Allison	Brit. str	752	Butterfield & Swire	
Fero	Dec. 26	P. Sorensen	Ger. str	75	Siemssen & Co	
Gordon	Jan. 9	O. Erichsen	Ger. str	310	Siemssen & Co	
Gulnare	Dec. 28	Greville	Brit. str	1058	Siemssen & Co	
Glenfoss	Oct. 6	Norman	Brit. str	1395	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Gulf of Papua	Dec. 21	Tigertwood	Brit. str	1416	Gibb, Livingston & Co	Straits
Haileong	Jan. 1	J. J. Wyllie	Brit. str	277	Douglas Lapraik & Co	Swatow
Hongchow	Jan. 3	Quail	Brit. str	999	Butterfield & Swire	
[illegible]	—	Oreille	Brit. str	2245	Butterfield & Swire	Canton
Hunter	Dec. 4	Grandin	Brit. str	1193	Chinese	
Ningpo	—	H. S. Clarke	Brit. str	130	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Ilona	Nov. 9	N. Emcke	Ger. str	297	Ed. Schellhass & Co	
Ingrahan	Jan. 1	Mussmann	Ger. str	895	Chinese	
Island	Nov. 15	G. Allason	Brit. str	981	Gibb, Livingston & Co	
Iphigenia	Jan. 1	F. Abrens	Ger. str	1059	Siemssen & Co	
Japanese	Dec. 16	W. Moore	Brit. str	1204	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Kowloon	Dec. 21	Sanderson	Brit. str	1153	Douglas Lapraik & Co	
Kiukiang	—	A. H. Smith	Brit. str	1061	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Macao
Kong Beng	Jan. 3	R. Jones	Brit. str	862	Yuen Fat Hong	
Marie	Jan. 1	Hohlmann	Ger. str	704	Wieler & Co	
Memling	Dec. 20	Hutchison	Brit. str	649	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Mindanao	Jan. 4	Tremoya	Span. str	650	Ramelias & Co	
Mirzapore	Jan. 3	Harvey	Brit. str	2164	P. & O. S. N. Co	Europe
Nimrod	Jan. 1	G. Westoby	Brit. str	863	Douglas Lapraik & Co	Coast Ports
Normanton	Dec. 27	Drake	Brit. str	1533	Siemssen & Co	
Perim	Jan. 2	W. C. Smith	Brit. str	867	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Piedicla	Dec. 28	Ph. Nissen	Ger. str	871	Wieler & Co	
Pilot Fish	June 2	Robinson	Brit. str	161	Captain	
Power	—	S. W. Gogsir	Brit. str	1844	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Signal	Jan. 2	Handewadt	Ger. str	384	Siemssen & Co	
Taisang	Jan. 3	T. L. Davies	Brit. str	1505	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Shanghai
Tantalon	Jan. 4	Cathrire	Brit. str	1309	Siemssen & Co	
Vespasian	Nov. 29	J. Alexander	Brit. str	792	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
Vortigern	Dec. 17	J. Brown	Brit. str	876	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
Vorwaerts	Dec. 23	Brahn	Ger. str	612	Wieler & Co	
Wah Yeung	Nov. 30	Y. Witt	Brit. str	313	Shing Kee	Canton
White Cloud	—	G. B. Lefevre	Brit. str	852	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	
Yehsin	Jan. 4	C. R. Null	Chi. str	754	C. M. S. N. Co	
Zambesi	Dec. 24	Francis Cole	Brit. str	1540	P. & O. S. N. Co	Bombay
SAILING VESSELS.						
Albion Bessie	Dec. 10	J. A. O'Brien	Amr. bk	912	Melchers & Co	
Amity	Dec. 2	Caberly	Brit. bk	519	Siemssen & Co	
Anna Sophia	Nov. 29	A. Paulsen	Ger. bk	601	Wieler & Co	
Annie	Oct. 31	Kraschе	Ger. bk	423	Wieler & Co	
Arnagah	Oct. 30	Green	Brit. bk	977	Russell & Co	S. Francisco
B. H. Stevens	Aug. 4	Chas. Meyer	Ger. bg	235	Melchers & Co	